

MR. KLUMP NOT MURDERED.

A FATAL ENCOUNTER IN EAST SEV.

The Death of Landlord John Klump in a Struggle with Mrs. Mary Holland, one of his Tenants—The Post-Mortem Yesterday.

At 5:30 on Saturday evening the landlord of the five-story tenement at 504 East 17th street, John Klump, a German, aged 64, was killed in an encounter with one of his tenants, Mary Holland, an Irish woman, aged 35. The tragedy was the result of a series of quarrels. Klump was a wheelwright, but had given up active work and spent his time at home looking after his tenants and making repairs.

exercised a very severe surveillance. One of his requirements was that they should not chop or split their firewood on the flagstones in the back yard. He had set up a block in the yard and insisted that they should use that instead. Holland's wife had frequently violated this rule. Two months' rent had become due last week, and the failure to pay this had been the means

THE FATAL BLOW.

On Saturday evening Mrs. Holland went into the yard for some wood, took it to the flagging and began spitting it. Klump hearing her, looked out of his window and ordered her to cease; but as she paid no attention to him he descended to the yard to force her to stop it. She resisted, and he raised her hands, and the two struggled for a minute, when the woman finally falling, instantly jumped up the cellar stairs.

says, a stick of wood, but as others say the axe, and struck the old man, she doesn't know where. He fell apparently lifeless, and was taken up stairs by John Riley, another tenant. Physicians were summoned, and they pronounced him dead.

Shortly afterward Officer Lineback entered the house and arrested the woman, took her to the Twenty-second street police station, and there she finally locked up.

Thelma's mother, however, has been a witness of

By the courtesy of Sergeant Nicholson, a San reporter was permitted to see the woman in her cell on Saturday night. She is an Irish woman, short and stout, with the rugged appearance of a hard working woman, who has habitually in-

The man was our landlord; he owned the entire building, but people found it unpleasant to live with him. His mind was affected, I think—God knows I don't want to say anything against him, now that he's dead—and he was tyrannical and abusive to his tenants. They didn't do what suited him. He had abused me several times before. Last Thursday he met me in the hall and began to abuse me, and complained that my children were noisy.

and made so much noise his daughter's baby could not sleep. I said something in reply, but it did no good, and he spit in my face. His daughter that was his first lady as I ever lived with. This evening I went out into the yard and woodshed. My shoes were bad I brought some to the flagstone to split it up; the yard was muddy, and I didn't like to stand out there. He came out while I was splitting the shoes and told me to get up from there, and kicked at me, striking me on the leg. He hurt my leg, and caught me by my hair and dragged me into the hall, and as he wouldn't let me go, I caught up a stick of wood

There were lumps on her forehead, discolored, evidently the result of blows from a flat. Being told that Klump's daughter, Bertha, said that she had struck the man with the axe, Mrs. Holland reiterated that it was with a stick of wood, adding that neither Bertha nor any one else was in the hall or yard.

THE VICTIM AND HIS FAMILY.
No. 504 is a five-story brick tenement. The basement is rented by John Riley, a shoemaker. The first floor is occupied by the Klump family, and the remaining floors by families of workmen. The Holland family, consisting of father, mother, and two children, lived on the fifth floor, rear room. Klump's family consisted of his wife and four children. His rules were so strict that his house was a model of order. His quarrels with Mrs. Holland had even resulted in his

the chopping block had always been a source of annoyance. Some of the occupants say that Mr. Klump was a quiet man, always attending to his own business, and never interfering with others; but they agree that he was quick-tempered when annoyed.

Mr. Riley says that when he went out after hearing the conflict, he found the old man lying with his head against the rear doorway, and that a hatchet and a stick of wood were lying in the hallway.

The post mortem examination made by Drs. Cushman and Finnell yesterday showed that he died of apoplexy of the right lung and serious effusion of the brain. No mark of violence was found on the body, and it is supposed that he died under the excitement of the quarrel.

The body of Klump will remain in the house until to-day at 11 o'clock, and then it is to be taken to the Coroner's office.

A Quinrel Between a Jealous Husband and a Hot-Tempered Wife—The Husband Found Poisoned and Dying.
Early on Saturday morning one of the customary quarrels arose between Harry Hamilton and his wife of Babylon, L. I. Jealous taunts and sharp retorts were succeeded by

words that grew hot and bitter; and exasperated finally beyond endurance. Mrs. Hamilton made a rush for the bedroom, where her husband had a loaded gun. She had often threatened to take his life, once to shoot him, and again to poison him; and Hamilton, dreading the consequences should she gain possession of the gun, rushed after her, headed her off, and discharged both barrels of the firearm from the window. An

hour later the report was spread that Hamilton had been poisoned and was dying. The neighbors hastened to his house from every quarter, and found Hamilton stretched on the bed at the point of death. Physicians were hastily summoned, and they came with antidotes in small green quantity and administered them to him without stint, but they reached him too late. In one of the pockets of the dying man's breeches was found a three-ounce vial labelled

"poison," but now it came there is not known, nor whether his death came from poison administered by his wife or by himself to get out of her way. Hamilton was a popular man in the town, a jolly, lively fellow, and great favorite with the "boys." His only great fault was his silly jealousy. Between that and a passionate temper in his wife he led a wretched life.

Thomas Baldwin, a large real estate owner, long a resident of Hempstead, was buried from his late residence at Baldwinville yesterday.

BROOKLYN.

Mat. Flemming, alias "Rockey" Steward of the bark Augusta Hobbs, lying at Harbick's stores, Brooklyn, during a fight on Saturday with the mate, John Small, bit off Small's ear. He escaped to New York, but

Mr. E. Mayo, of 295 South First street, Williamsburgh, says that on Saturday night he found himself trying to masticate a pin which was in some nicely buttered toast. He adds that this is the second pin he has met with in his bread since New Year's, and that he has secured a number of small nails in the same way.

The steamer *Electra* was run into and sunk off Dungeness, in the English Channel, by the ship *Tholerau*, Capt. Bruce, and seventeen hands were drowned.

John O'Connor, a clerk in the Paymaster's office of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western Railroad, has absconded with \$10,000 of the Company's funds.

Four cars were thrown from the track on the Illinois Central Railroad, between Hudson and Rupee, on Friday, by a broken rail. Charles Blanchard, the conductor, was killed.

Gen. Bank has authorized a positive denial of the rumor that he is to succeed Minister Curtin, at St. Petersburg. He says he has no wish to leave this country and the position he now holds.

The Fire Commissioners of Chicago on Saturday commenced an investigation into the condition of the Fire Department. One day's investigation developed many startling facts. Many of the officers are charged with incapacity, inefficiency, drunkenness, dishonesty, etc.

The motion for the arrest of judgment in the case of Joseph F. Marcer, defaulting City Treasurer of Philadelphia, in the City of New York, N.Y., broker, has been denied in the Quarter Sessions. Marcer has been sentenced to pay a fine of \$30,000 with four years and nine months' imprisonment, and Yorke to pay \$500.

with two years and nine months' imprisonment.